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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6286** 

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"AN ACT SHIELDING FIRE DEPARTMENTS THAT INSTALL SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS FROM LIABILITY."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2009) (a) For the purposes of
- 4 this section, "novelty lighter" means a mechanical or electrical device
- 5 operated on a fuel such as butane or liquid fuel that is typically used
- 6 for lighting cigarettes, cigars or pipes and that (1) possesses audio or
- 7 visual effects, or (2) resembles in physical form or function articles
- 8 designed to appeal, or intended for the use of, children ten years of age
- 9 or younger. "Novelty lighter" includes, but is not limited to, lighters
- 10 that play musical notes or have flashing lights, or that resemble
- 11 cartoon characters, toys, guns, watches, musical instruments, vehicles,
- 12 toy animals, food or beverages.
- 13 (b) No person shall sell a novelty lighter in this state.

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14 (c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to a novelty lighter

- 15 (1) made before January 1, 1980, (2) incapable of being fueled or
- lacking a device necessary to produce combustion or a flame, or (3)
- 17 that is a standard disposable lighter that is printed or decorated with
- 18 logos, labels, decals, artwork or heat shrinkable sleeves.
- (d) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be
  fined not more than ninety dollars for the first offense and be guilty of
  an infraction, and shall be fined five hundred dollars for any second or
- 22 subsequent offense.
- (e) No police officer shall be held civilly liable for a cause of action arising out of such officer's enforcement of the provisions of this section during the course of such officer's employment, unless such
- 26 officer's conduct was unreasonable or reckless."